

## "AL" ADAMS' IS GETTING GOOD

Policy King, Filled with Remorse at Sing Sing, Now Seeks to Make Better Use of His Great Fortune

LEASES HOUSE OF NATIONS TO NUNS FOR LOW RENTAL.

Might Have Sold the Famous Resort for a Half Million, but Declined to Accept, in Order to Let Sisters Have the Place.

The long, silent hours of confinement in Sing Sing Prison have wrought in the heart of Al Adams, the millionaire policy king, a spirit of remorse.

His first signal act, which has caused a sensation little short of stupefying among his former friends and associates, was the refusal of a princely fortune for the famous old infirmary "House of All Nations" once the most luxuriously appointed hall of vice in the city, and the turning over of the building to a little group of Franciscan nuns for the use as a home for poor working girls.

Refusing an offer of half a million dollars for the big double house just west of Sixth avenue and which runs through the entire block from Thirty-third to Thirty-fourth street, "Al" Adams has leased it for a ridiculously small figure for the purposes of charity, and it is now in possession of the Little Order of Nuns.

### Home for Working Girls.

Sister Frances, who is the head of this little order, which will make this former abode of vice a home for the poor working girls, was seen to-day by an Evening World reporter in the famous rose parlor. Standing beneath a painting of Pope Leo XIII., which has replaced a huge canvas bearing a wild Bacchanalian scene from the brush of a noted French painter, Sister Frances told of the purposes of the new home and also of the untoward benevolence of Al Adams.

"Although I have had no personal dealings with Mr. Adams," said Sister Frances, "I know that the spirit of restitution for the wrongs he has done actuated him in letting us have this great building for a humble renting. Whatever his business methods have been in the past he must have some good in his heart to be so kind."

"We had never hoped to secure this place, as we knew enormous sums had been offered for it. We little thought when we asked our lawyer, William M. Sullivan, of No. 35 Nassau street, to negotiate with Mr. Adams's agents, that we would succeed in renting the place, and when we did succeed we could not withhold a prayer for the man who had made such a sacrifice for charity."

### Visitors Startled by Change.

"We have been settled here for several weeks and we have had some strange experiences. Every evening when we are in the ring of the doorbell we encounter some freshly dressed stranger who, when he sees the uniform of our order, staggers back as if he had received a tremendous shock. Last Sunday night there came ten of these men, and as their glances fell upon the pictures of the saints in the hallway, I really thought some of them would faint."

"In fact, they were so shocked that they could not open their mouths in question of the change. White and scared-looking, they slunk away in the shadows of the night."

Fifteen years ago the House of All Nations first attracted the attention of the frequenters of the Tenderloin, and its fame soon spread throughout the country. Never before had a building of vice been so furnished and appointed in such magnificence. Fortunes were spent in fitting the walls with pictures, murals and tapestries, and upholstery were of the finest texture that money could buy. More than thirty thousand dollars were expended in the kind that one would expect in such resorts. They were selected with splendid taste and with an idea of standing out in bold relief from decorations of their kind.

### Great Is the Change.

When the Evening World reporter visited the house to-day he saw in the great parlor of the mirrors a little rag doll popped upon a high-backed chair, and a white waif the sisters had taken from the streets. And as he stood there waiting for Sister Frances to appear, he saw the furniture of the room, where once came the sound of popping corks, the sprightly laughter of children at play.

The famous umbrella room, which got its name from the shape of the mirrored ceiling, and which has been here for many years, has been transformed into an oratory, with a group, "The Army in the Field," by the artist, on the great dining-room, walled eight feet high with a wainscoting of solid black oak will be used for the dining room for the inmates of the home. The walls of this room are frescoed with famous drinking scenes, most of the figures represented being Franciscan monks. This will all be changed, though there is nothing in these wall decorations that suggests anything that Sister Frances thinks could work a bad influence upon the girls.

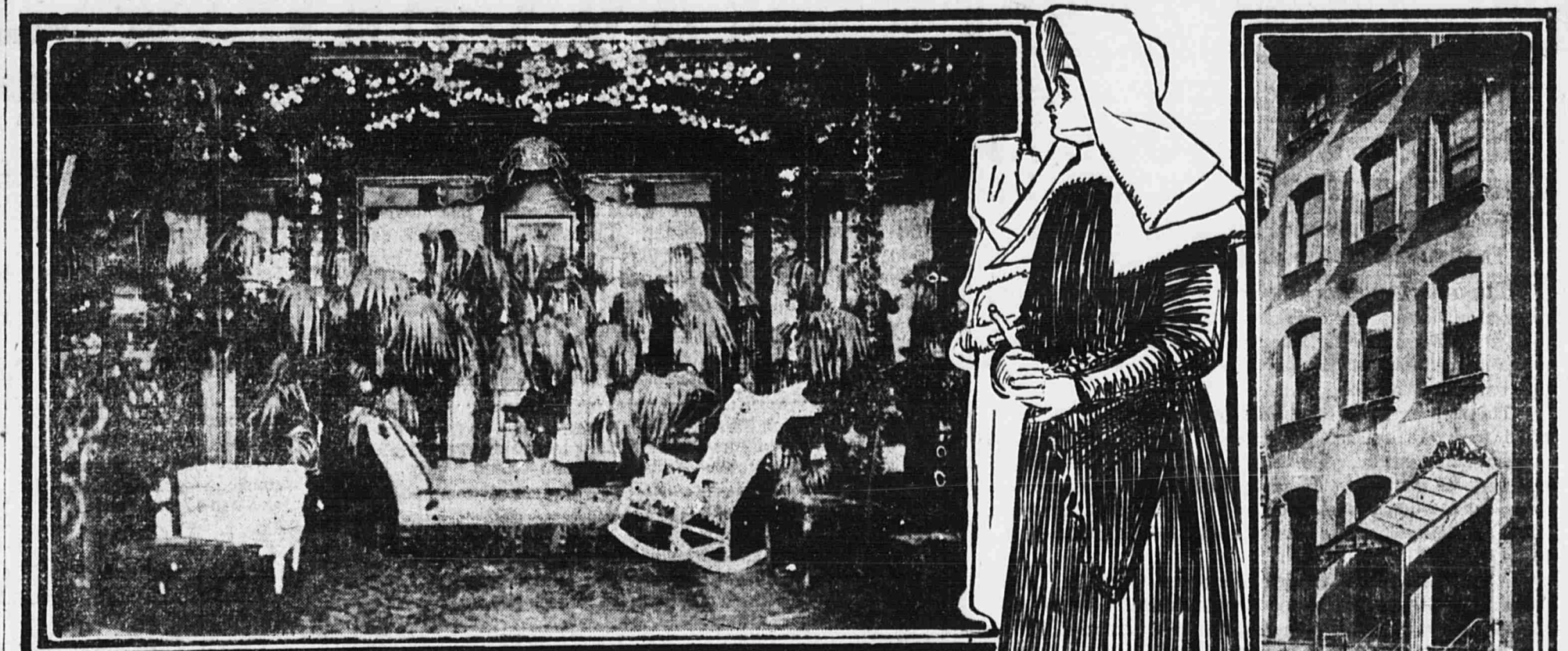
The railings of the stairway are all of carved oak. On the second floor are all Egyptian and Turkish scenes, and the walls are covered with damask and the woodwork is painted in the colors of the lotus flowers in bright red and green.

To Put in New Furniture. Sister Frances said to-day that few radical changes would be made in the house beyond the removal of the most glaring details and substituting furniture more appropriate for the new purpose. Lawyer Sullivan, who acted for Sister Frances in securing the house, said that the agents of Al Adams have really made advances to the nuns after turning down the offer of half a million dollars for the place. He said that Mr. Sullivan, that the one thought of Adams in allowing the place to be used as a home for poor working girls was of making restitution. "Al" Adams had several consultations with his agents since he has been confined in Sing Sing and arranged the terms of the lease from his cell.

### Ducked a Wife Beater.

CLYDE O. Sept. 29.—John Hush, an employee of a factory here, who had been charged with cruelty to his wife and child, was caught by his fellow-employees Sunday night. They turned the hose upon him and gave him a thorough ducking. He was then warned to treat his family better. He gave the promise willingly.

## EXTERIOR VIEW OF THE HOUSE OF ALL NATIONS AND ITS ROSE PARLOR, LEASED TO NUNS BY POLICY KING "AL" ADAMS, IN WHOM A SPIRIT OF RESTITUTION WAS AROUSED IN SING SING.



## FORSAKES A CHOIR FOR THE FOOTLIGHTS.



Mary Don, of Newark, N. J., made her debut at the Academy of Music, Baltimore, in the first production of Rankin & Kerker's comic opera, "Winnies Winnie," in which Miss Paula Edwards is to star.

Miss Don has been prominent in musical and social circles of Newark, Jersey City, and the Oranges. For a number of years she was the soprano soloist of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Newark, and has a wide reputation as a concert singer.

As an amateur actress she is well known, having been in demand. She is a favorite in Jersey City, where she has taken part in many amateur dramatic productions of consequence.

Miss Don had been in the professional stage for some time, and when the Shubert's made her an offer in "Winnies Winnie," she accepted. She has been engaged as an "actress" and is an understudy to one of the principals.

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Mount came out to the stable, and on seeing the saddle began to abuse the students and call them thieves. Braisher, who was with him, picked up a piece of old blanket to cover the sore and asked the stable boy to get him some grease to put on it.

Mount passed the other two students he struck at them, the spoke striking Tarbell over the right eye. Tarbell fell unconscious, and the others picked him up and carried him to a house across the street.

No surgeon could be found in the neighborhood, and he mounted his pony and rode back to Princeton. By the time he reached the college infirmary the wound had swollen and he could not see. Word was sent to his father, and he went at once to bring his son back to New York.

Mount has been arrested, but action in his case will be deferred until the result of Tarbell's injuries is determined.

## TARBEL LOSES EYE BY ASSAULT

Princeton Student and Son of Vice-President of the Equitable Assurance Society Felled by a Hotel-Keeper.

That Swift Tarbell, son of Gage E. Tarbell, Vice-President of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, will lose the sight of his right eye as the result of the attack made upon him at Monmouth, N. J., yesterday by a hotel keeper, was said to-day to be certain.

Young Tarbell is at the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary at Thirteenth street and Second avenue. It was said by the physicians that they hoped to save the eye, but that the sight of the injured student was destroyed. At first it was thought that the sight of the left eye would be greatly impaired and possibly destroyed, but later it was said that this eye would not be hurt, unless sympathetic symptoms, which are not looked for, developed.

Tarbell, who is a student at Princeton, with two college friends, Philip Braisher, of Brooklyn, and N. J. McCutcheon, a son of James McCutcheon, the dry goods merchant of this city, went for a ride on their ponies. They stopped at the small hotel kept by Arthur Mount at Monmouth Junction, nine miles from Princeton, and had luncheon.

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Young Buckholz, who is one of the popular youths in the neighborhood where he lives with his sister Bertha and his old father, is dying at his home from two stab wounds in his lungs. Several surgeons who have been called to the house say that he cannot live out the day.

Last night Miss Bertha Buckholz, upon returning home from the theatre, stumbled over the body of a man lying in the hallway. She called her father and brother and they threw the man out into the street. He was Snyder, the barber, and intoxicated.

This morning when the elder Buckholz started to open up the feed store the man was waiting at the door. He began assailing the character of Miss Buckholz. The old man remonstrated with him, whereupon the barber attacked him and knocked him down. Young Buckholz ran to his father's assistance, but before he could reach the assailant he drew a knife and plunged it twice into the young man's back.

The noise of the fight had attracted a crowd of men to the scene, and when they saw the barber stab young Buckholz in the back they rushed for him. He managed to dodge the crowd and run down the avenue.

## BROKEN HEADS AT KINGS CONVENTION

Republicans in Brooklyn Engage in Free Fight Over Effort to Prevent the Nomination of Ketchum for District-Attorney

Almost stripped of his clothing during one of the most riotous scenes ever enacted in a Brooklyn political convention, Henry Belden Ketchum was carried fainting into the street from the Kings County Republican Convention while he was being nominated for District-Attorney.

The riot was started by Mr. Ketchum's attempt to withdraw his name from consideration. Timothy Woodruff and other Republican leaders had agreed on George F. Elliott for District-Attorney, but Mr. Ketchum's partisans smashed the slate and smashed heads.

When Mr. Ketchum's nomination was reported by the Fusion conferees to the Citizens' Union Convention, in session at a nearby hall, another riot was started there. The police had to be called in to prevent Chairman Abner S. Haight from being swept off the platform.

After order had been restored in the Republican Convention the following ticket was placed in nomination: For Borough President, J. Edward Swanson; Citizens' Union, Timothy Woodruff; John K. Neal, Republican; For Register, Dr. W. John Schlidge, of the German-American Municipal League; For District-Attorney, Henry Belden Ketchum.

For County Clerk, left open to be filled by the Citizens' Union. The row started when George F. Elliott's name was proposed for District-Attorney and some one moved that nominations be closed. Shouts for Ketchum came from all parts of the hall. He was placed in nomination, and when the chairman declared the nomination out of order there was a rush for the platform.

Mr. Ketchum started toward the platform to withdraw his name, but his friends, suspecting his purpose, formed a flying wedge and forced him into a corner. His clothing was literally torn off in the struggle, and Mr. Woodruff, clearing the reporters' table at a bound, landed a broken platform into the struggling mass. He was thrown to one side and roughly handled.

Finally Elliott lifted Mr. Ketchum on his shoulders and carried him fainting from the hall so that he could not resist. The police had to be called in to drag him to the platform and to drag him to the platform and to drag him to the platform.

The chief of these is the method of computing the sliding scale increase. The companies claim that it should be based on the net wages. The miners' leaders demand it on the gross, the latter making a difference of one-tenth of a per cent on each 1 per cent increase in their favor.

The demand of the Schuylkill miners for a short day on Saturday instead of the nine hours now worked was also considered.

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland, Sept. 29.—Vessels returning from the Grand Banks report sighting the hull of a large vessel, apparently a French fishing bark, floating bottom up.

It is feared that other disasters have occurred, as several vessels are missing.

## REPUBLICANS NAME JUDGE BISCHOFF

County Convention Steals Tammany's Supreme Court Candidate — Ralph Trautmann Nominated for Sheriff.

The Republican County Convention stole Tammany Hall's own candidate for Supreme Court, and then named Judge Bischoff.

Ralph Trautmann was unanimously and enthusiastically nominated as the Republican candidate for sheriff on the Fusion ticket.

There was no open criticism of Grout and Fornes for their attitude toward Tammany, and instead the convention voted to "enthusiastically endorse the action of the county committee of the Fusion ticket in naming Low, Grout and Fornes."

Former Justice William N. Cohen, who presided, said that Tammany Hall did not want to nominate Justice Bischoff, and would not do so but for doubts and fears.

Judge Cohen said: "When Justice Bischoff joined in with his colleagues on the bench, a man who was known as 'Bischoff's enemy,' and with him defied Richard Croker in the matter of the appointment of a court clerk, he placed himself under the ban of Tammany Hall, and it was said then that he would lose his head when his term expired, and that so long as Tammany was in control he would not be re-nominated; but we have got Tammany Hall by the throat, and we have got Bischoff. It was decided that he should never receive the nomination, but we have Tammany Hall not to renominate him."

Judge Ernest Hall referred to Mr. Trautmann as the best major in the Republican and said that in nominating him the convention should not forget the "Trautmann's noble wife, who had done so much to remove the evils on the east side."

SAN JUAN HERO BURIED. Military Honors for Man Complicated by Roosevelt.

Funeral services for Lieut. Arthur J. Meyers were conducted yesterday afternoon at the home of his parents, No. 123 Crystal street, Brooklyn. He was a member of Company A, Forty-seventh Regiment, and was buried with military honors in the Masonic plot in Cypress Hills Cemetery.

In the battle of San Juan he gave the command to advance. Seeing his comrades falter, he rushed up the hill, and they, inspired by his example, followed. He was the second man to scale the heights. For this he was publicly complimented by Col. Roosevelt, commanding the Rough Riders.

After the volunteers were mustered out, Meyers went to Porto Rico, married and was appointed to the Police Department. He was buried in the uniform of the police of Porto Rico.

DIED FROM TOO MUCH WHISKEY. Charles Davis, thirty-six years old, a laborer, with no home, died in Hudson Street Hospital to-day from an overdose of indulgence in whiskey. Davis was arrested last night for intoxication and looked up in the Elizabeth street station at 4 o'clock this morning when the reaction set in. He was sent to the hospital in a collapsed state. He died four hours later.

## RIOTERS GET HELP IN THE SOO FIGHT

Fifteen Hundred Lumbermen Marching from Camp to Sault Ste. Marie to Face Troops Called Out.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Sept. 29.—While there has been no actual clash between the rioters and police here to-day, the men are in a mood for fight and trouble is feared when the troops now hurrying from Toronto arrive.

Every saloon in the town is wide open and most of them, especially in the laboring men's districts, are being patronized heavily by the throngs of idle men who composed yesterday's mob.

In addition there are 1,500 men at Wiers, a lumbering camp of the company, twelve miles up the Algona Central road, who having been refused transportation by the railroad, are coming here on foot, the advance guard having arrived this morning. The big accession to the ranks of the unemployed is looked upon as sure to cause trouble unless the authorities show more vigor in dealing with the situation than they did yesterday.

The third troublesome feature is the delay in getting additional troops here. Just eight soldiers got in last night and the grenadiers did not leave Toronto until 1 o'clock this morning, which means that they cannot be here before tonight.

The policy of the local authorities in permitting the saloons in the west end of town especially to open up this morning is provoking much criticism. The Consolidated Lake Superior Company, whose inability to pay the men their wages led to the rioting yesterday, is giving the authorities all the aid possible.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 29.—The police have communicated with the authorities in Providence, R. I., questioning the truth of the story told by Joseph H. Mykema, who is under arrest here and claiming to be the son of a wealthy banker and a graduate of Brown University. The police are inclined to believe his story.

The young man was first arrested as a vagrant and released. Afterward he was brought in, charged with looting a freight car. It was then that he told the police judge of his former life. He said he had been a clerk for his father after his graduation from the university, studying law at the same time.

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CATHOLICS CELEBRATE. Sixty Thousand Children in Centenary Services in Boston.

BOSTON, Sept. 29.—Sixty thousand pupils of seventy-five parochial schools in the archdiocese of Boston, to-day united in exercises commemorative of the centennial of the dedication of the first Catholic church in Boston. The proceedings began with children's mass in all the churches, at which the officiating priest pointed out the significance of the celebration. After the service in the churches literary and musical features were presented at the schools.

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